Marion Fire District

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BOARD OF TRUSTEES - REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING - May 27, 2021

Attendance: Bill Tewksbury, Joyce, Greg Mercurio, Peter Loyda, Larry Brower, Lily Brower, Mike Williams, Betty Heino, Neil Heino, Matt Sampley, Aaron Jones, Bryan, Vargie Williams, Mr. and Mrs. Townsend, Kai Townsend, Rylan Townsend.

NOTICE

DATE: Thursday, May 27, 2021

TIME: 5:00 PM

PLACE: Marion Fire District Community Center at 180 Gopher Lane in Marion

PLEDGE

AGENDA

- 1. Call to Order, Roll Call, & Establishment of Quorum
- 2. Consent to Agenda Joyce made a motion to approve the agenda, Bill seconded the motion
- 3. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (March 25, 2021 Regular Board Meeting Minutes)

Bill made a motion to approve the minutes, Joyce seconded the motion

- 4. Welcome new Trustees
- 5. Financial:
 - A. Review & Approve Current Claims for Payment -
- * We are at 76% of this year's budget
- * Transferred \$30,000 into capital improvement
- * Current Balance
- * Predicted that the end of June, we should be at 86% of the budget
- * Suggestion for Acting Chief to start working on 2021-2022 Budget
- * Bill made a motion to approve the financial update, Joyce seconded the motion
 - **B.** Review & Approve Treasurer's Reports Bill made a motion to approve the treasurer's report and Joyce seconded the motion.

6. Reports:

A. Fire Chief's Report & Updates - Report issued by Aaron Jones. Aaron read through report:

Calls this year:

Medical = 43

Fire = 6

Other = 24

IFT's ≈ 4

Total for the year = 81

Community Outreach:

- Evaluated several sites for burning
- Burned ¼ acre for local resident and received a \$200.00 donation
- July 3rd, Marion Freedom Day, Parade and Carnival in conjunction with the Auxiliary and School
- July 17th Pancake Breakfast at Ashley Lake

Training:

- May 4 Handling, Hand tool maintenance
- May 11 DNRC Pack test and business meeting
- May 18 Wildiand Gnass Pack deployment
- May 25 Portable pumps and Water Tender operations

Equipment Update / Status:

Old 1134 - Puggy has arranged a buyer for this at \$5,000. A check will be delivered once the
person returns to the area around Memorial Weekend.

Ambulances:

- 1121 Summer tires have been installed. KC was supposed to be here to fix the drop-down chains but wasn't able to come
- 1122 Still undetermined by mechanics exactly why the engine shuts down. KC feels that the problem is resolved after another ICP sensor and an alternator that hums, which had a Ford Service Bulletin written for it has been resolved. Glacier West is sending an invoice for their troubleshooting and parts. Placed back into service on May 20, 2021.
- 1123 New rear air bags ordered. KC will install them along with looking at the transmission leak

Engines:

- * 1131 Nothing new from last month
- 1132 KC was going to be here to fix this, but hasn't shown yet
- * 1133 KC will repair the pump transmission seals and do an annual maintenance in June.
- * 1134 In service, but multiple repairs done and more to come
 - 1. 120 volt system has been added for charging batteries for extrication and portable scene lighting
 - 2. The Tachometer will be replaced by KC
 - 3. 2 new seats installed by staffa
 - 4. Tool board organizers ordered and received. Work to be done in-house. Aaron will build an extrication tool organizer.
 - Several minor repairs have been done in-house.
- * 1181 Voltage drop noticeable when starting the pump. Larger capacity wire will be run to compensate. Work will be done in-house.

Water Tenders:

- * 1191 Is currently ready for service. Cost/benefit analysis is still being conducted.
- * 1192 Minor Issues
- * 1193 OUT OF SERVICE for pump leaking heavily. It needs to be rebuilt into a smaller tender.

Command:

- * 1161 Changed u-joints on front drive-shaft, oil and filters changed. Work was done in-house
- STATION 1 A boiler inspection was made by Travelers Insurance Company.
 It passed the inspection.

Purchase Requests:

- Epoxy / Sealant for the bay floor is Station 1 Recommended 5,000 square feet of material. Estimates in hand.
- b. Hose Washer: Portable and estimates in hand. Recommend a 3 inch model.
- c. Water Tender: 1193 is out of service, and 1191 is currently useable, but is not dependable.

5 Year Plan:

Aaron is currently working on a 5 year plan for the Board.

- B. Kai Townsend will do a presentation Eagle Project for Boy Scouts
- ** Life Scout with Troop #93 Eagle Project -
- a. Purpose: to assist with the Marion School District with the following:
 - i. Stop to bleed kits
 - ii. New updated First Aid kits

- iii. Training for staff will be given
- iv. Approximate cost is \$3,000 Corporate Sponsors, private donations, Round up for Safety
- v. Marion Fire Dept. has 3 certified Stop the Bleed trainers that he would like to tap into to train the Marion teaching staff

7. Action Items:

- A. Add gravel to Ashley Lake substation drive
 - ** Has two bids for gravel to be brought in
 - ** Would like to use Murphy

Greg moved to go with Murphy's gravel delivery not to exceed \$900.00 Bill made a motion to approve this motion, Joyce seconded the motion.

- B. Pintler Collection Accounts Update
 - ** Patron bill written off for \$290.00, payments were made
 - ** Patron 1,071.00 no payments made Cannot send to collections due to the patron having Medicaid Coverage
 Board decided to keep billing the patron
 - ** Patron 1,322 Dec. 26, 2020 Look into particulars
- C. Emergency Actions

8. Discussion Items:

- **A.** Potential replacement for Chief's command vehicle Greg moved to table this issue for next Board's meeting
- B. Add/replace current water tender with a smaller unit

Aaron - best recommendation would be to buy a new tender versus trying to repair this one 3,000 gallon tender.

9. Public Comment (Matters under the jurisdiction of the Marion Fire District Board of Trustees that are not on agenda may be addressed by the public at this time. However, the Board is generally prohibited from taking action on matters until the public has been provided sufficient notice. Public comment will be accepted on agenda items when they are being discussed.)

None this evening

10. New Business:

- A. Assign Secretary role
- ** Peter Loyda was nominated to be the new secretary for the Board Bill made a motion to recommend Peter Loyda as the new secretary and Joyce seconded the motion.

11. Announcements:

- A. Next Meeting Date
- ** June 24 5:00 p.m.

Adjourned at 5:25 p.m. Bill made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:25 pm, Joyce seconded.

Board Chair Signature

Date 6/24/2021

Secretary Signature

Date 6-24-2021